IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Previously Presented): A portal application, embodied on a tangible computer readable medium, comprising instructions which causes a processor-based device to provide access from a client to a multimedia service, the portal application comprising instructions for:

a portal core service;

a user management core service; and

a plurality of special services, each structured according to a model-view-controller architecture, each of said special services comprising:

at least one model containing data;

a controller for the special service; and

at least one view for the presentation of the data of a model,

wherein each of the plurality of special services are designed to communicate with each of a remaining plurality of special services directly, via the controller of the special service.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): The portal application according to claim 1, wherein the controller of a service is designed to control at least a second controller, wherein said second controller is contained in said service or in a different service.

Claim 3 (Previously Presented): The portal application according to claim 1, wherein the controller of a service is designed to control a plurality of views, each of said plurality of views allows a different presentation.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The portal application according to claim 3,

wherein the controller of a service is designed to select one of the plurality of views of

the service in accordance with a mark-up language used.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The portal application according to claim 4,

wherein the controller is designed to select one of the plurality of views for the

presentation in accordance with at least one of a browser characteristic of the client, device

characteristics, a time and/or date, a location, a language, and one or more user preferences.

Claim 6 (Canceled).

Claim 7 (Previously Presented): A portal application, embodied on a tangible

computer readable medium, comprising instructions which causes a processor-based device

to provide access from a client to a multimedia service, said portal application comprising

instructions for:

a portal core service;

a user management core service; and

at least two special services structured according to the model-view-controller

architecture, each special service comprising:

at least one model containing data;

at least one controller; and

a plurality of views for a presentation of data of at least one model, wherein

each special service is designed to communicate with the other special

services via a respective controller;

said plurality of views is representative of at least two different mark-up

languages,

service relative content of each of said plurality of views is identical, and

a state of the controller is determined in accordance with an earlier client's request.

Claim 8 (Canceled).

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): A method for accessing a portal application

implemented on a multipurpose computer from a client, wherein the portal application

comprises a portal core service, a user management core service, and a plurality of special

services each of said services structured according to the Model-View-Controller

architecture, the method comprising the steps of:

sending a request to a first core service responsible for user management and/or

administrative processing;

forwarding, according to the model-view-controller architecture, the request from the

first core service to a second special service; and

establishing a direct communication link between the client and the second special

service.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The method according to claim 9,

wherein the special services are distributed over a network.

Claim 11 (New): A portal application, embodied on a tangible computer readable

medium, comprising instructions which causes a processor-based device to provide access

from a client to a multimedia service provider via a portal, the portal application comprising instructions for:

a portal core service configured to perform administrative services;

a user management core service configured to perform client related services; and

a plurality of special services, each structured according to a model-view-controller architecture, each of said special services comprising:

at least one model containing data;

a controller for the special service; and

at least one view for the presentation of the data of a model to the client,

wherein each of the plurality of special services are designed to communicate with each of a remaining plurality of special services directly, via the controller of the special service,

the portal core service and the user management core service are located at the portal and the plurality of special services are located at the multimedia service provider,

the portal core service and the user management core service are configured to forward a request from the client to a first of the special services, and

the first special service is configured to forward the request from the client to a second special service of the plurality of special services when the second special service has more specific information than the first special service.

Claim 12 (New): The portal application according to claim 11,

wherein the controller of a service is designed to control at least a second controller,

wherein said second controller is contained in said service or in a different service.

Claim 13 (New): The portal application according to claim 11,

wherein the controller of a service is designed to control a plurality of views,

each of said plurality of views allows a different presentation.

Claim 14 (New): The portal application according to claim 13,

wherein the controller of a service is designed to select one of the plurality of views of

the service in accordance with a mark-up language used.

Claim 15 (New): The portal application according to claim 14,

wherein the controller is designed to select one of the plurality of views for the

presentation in accordance with at least one of a browser characteristic of the client, device

characteristics, a time and/or date, a location, a language, and one or more user preferences.